

Serial Number: 09/884,318Docket Number: 10010757-1**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1. (Original) A printing method, comprising:
 relaying a non-rendered document from a local printer to a host
coupled thereto, the non-rendered document being received in the local printer from
a portable device via a portable device communications port;
 identifying one of a number of applications in the host that is
compatible with the non-rendered document;
 rendering the non-rendered document with the one of the number of
applications into a format compatible with the local printer, thereby creating a
rendered document; and
 sending the rendered document to the local printer for printing.

2. (Original) The printing method of claim 1, further comprising:
 determining a file type of the non-rendered document; and
 wherein the step of identifying the one of the number of applications in
the host that is compatible with the non-rendered document further comprises
searching through the number of applications in the host to identify the one of the
number of applications that is compatible with the file type.

3. (Original) The printing method of claim 1, further comprising storing
the non-rendered document received from the local printer in a memory in the host.

4. (Original) The printing method of claim 1, further comprising wirelessly
communicating with the portable device, wherein the portable device
communications port is a wireless communications port.

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5. (Original) The printing method of claim 1, further comprising the step of rendering the non-rendered document with the one of the number of applications into the format compatible with the local printer further comprises launching the one of the number of applications in the host with instructions to print the non-rendered document using the local printer.

6. (Original) The printing method of claim 2, further comprising:
generating a print failure message in the host upon a failure to identify
the one of the number of applications in the host that is compatible with the file type;
transmitting the print failure message to the local printer; and
printing the print failure message using the local printer.

7-11. (Canceled)

12. (Original) A document relay system in a printer, comprising:
a processor circuit with a processor and a memory;
a portable device communications port coupled to the processor circuit
to establish a data communication between the printer and a remote device; and
a document relay service stored in the memory and executable by the
processor, the document relay service comprising:
logic that determines whether a document received from the
remote device via the portable device communications port is rendered in a
format compatible with the printer; and
logic that relays the document to a host to be rendered for the
printer if the document is not compatible with the printer.

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13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) A The printing system, comprising: ~~of claim 13,~~
~~wherein the host further comprises:~~

a host and a local printer coupled thereto, the local printer having a
portable device communications port with which to establish a communications link a
portable device;

means in the local printer for relaying a non-rendered document
received via the portable device communications port to the host for rendering;

means for determining a file type of the non-rendered document; and
means for identifying the one of a the number of applications in the
host that is compatible with the file type;

means in the host for orchestrating a rendering of the non-rendered
document into a rendered document with a printer format compatible with the local
printer, the non-rendered document being rendered using the one of the number of
applications in the host; and

means in the host for transmitting a rendered document to the local
printer to be printed.

15. (Currently Amended) The printing system of claim 14~~13~~, wherein the
host further comprises means for storing the non-rendered document relayed by the
local printer in a memory in the host.

16. (Currently Amended) The printing system of claim 14~~13~~, wherein the
portable device communications port is a wireless communications port to facilitate a
wireless communication link between the printer and the portable device.

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17. (Currently Amended) A The printing system, comprising: of claim 13,
a host and a local printer coupled thereto, the local printer having a
portable device communications port with which to establish a communications link a
portable device;

means in the local printer for relaying a non-rendered document
received via the portable device communications port to the host for rendering;

means in the host for orchestrating a rendering of the non-rendered
document into a rendered document with a printer format compatible with the local
printer, the non-rendered document being rendered using the one of the number of
applications in the host;

means in the host for transmitting a rendered document to the local
printer to be printed; and

wherein the means in the host for orchestrating the rendering of the
non-rendered document into the rendered document further comprises means for
launching the one of the number of applications in the host with instructions to print
the non-rendered document using the local printer.

18. (Original) The printing system of claim 14, further comprising:

means in the host for generating a print failure message upon a failure
to identify the one of the number of applications in the host that is compatible with
the file type; and

means for transmitting the print failure message to the local printer.